



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

June 8, 2000

H.R. 3468 **Duchesne City Water Rights Conveyance Act**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on May 24, 2000

H.R. 3468 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain water rights to Duchesne City, Utah. In 1905, the federal government obtained certificates for these water rights under Utah state laws. In practice, Duchesne City has always used the water rights for its water supply. As a result, CBO estimates that implementing S. 3468 would have no significant impact on the federal budget.

H.R. 3468 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The bill contains no private-sector or intergovernmental mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act. As a condition of receiving these water rights, the bill would require Duchesne City to allow the Ute Tribe or members of that tribe to access the municipal water system without paying water impact or connection fees.

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